



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

McGARRY et al.

U.S. Serial No.: 10/665,389

Filing Date: September 18, 2003

For: *Method and Apparatus for Performing
Biological Reactions on a Substrate
Surface*

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Art Unit: 1645

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Sir:

This communication and preliminary amendment is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated December 10, 2003, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. It is accompanied by a petition for one month extension of time and requisite fee, making this a timely response. The filing fee and late declaration surcharge are enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. 469008-97 [A-70142-1 (27523/US/1)/RM]).

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 3.